

Frequently Asked Questions

Westermann Honda Weed Ripper WKB660

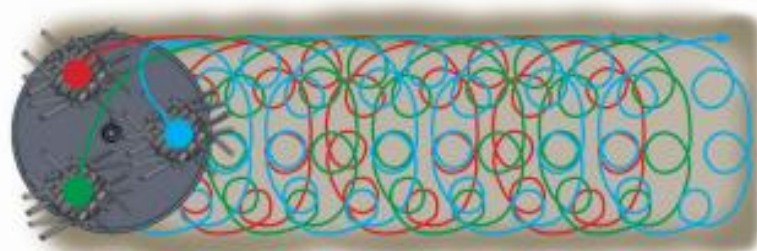
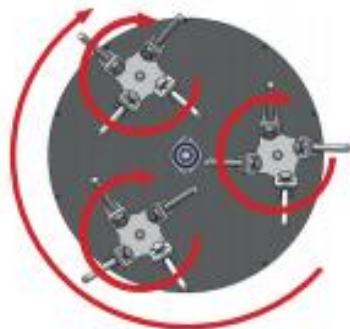
1. A) Does it work?

Our most popular question; yes, absolutely! We specialise in providing commercial quality machines which do the job they are supposed to. The Weed Ripper WKB660 will clear all moss and overgrown weeds from hard surfaces. 12 individual brushes spin on 3 rotating holders, which all rotate on the main drum. This covers a large surface area in one pass, repeatedly attaching the plants from all sides.

It is intended for one person to use alone, and has a super easy start 4-Stroke Honda engine.



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The Weed Ripper WKB660 removes thick moss, old weeds and grass growing through paving, resulting in a very effective clearance. It is not suitable for sweeping or regularly clearing light moss - for this we recommend the all-rounder Weed and Moss Brushes in the WR870 range. It will not remove any black or white lichen.

1. B) Do you need to pre-treat with chemicals?

No, all of our Moss Brushes are designed to replace the use of chemicals.

2. What's the difference between the Weed Ripper and the Moss Brushes?

The Weed Ripper WKB660 is for clearance of thick moss, old weeds and grass growing through paving; it does this job very well. But it is not suitable for regular sweeping thereafter to keep the moss and weeds at bay.

The Moss Brush WR870 range are great "all-rounders". They will remove moss, debris, and light weeds (less than 1 year old). They have 3 brush types (wire, poly, poly-wire mix) allowing sweeping facility, and can be used for large material sweeping (snow, animal feed, etc). Regular sweeping over your hard surfaces will prevent the moss and weeds from returning, once it has been cleared.

The WR870 range will not remove thick old weeds or grass growing through paving. The WKB660 brush and the WR870 brushes are not interchangeable.

3. What engine powers it?

It is powered by the Honda GXV160 OHV engine. It has 4.3 horsepower, 160cc, and features a cast iron cylinder liner. The fuel tank holds 1.4 litres, and the engine comes with a 3-year commercial warranty.

4. What is the warranty?

The machine has a 1 year commercial-warranty. This is parts-only, provided by Westermann. Warranties cover all manufacturing defects.

The engine has a 3 year commercial warranty, provided by Honda.

All warranties are handled by SPA Power Machinery in Sheffield, UK.

5. What surfaces can I use it on?

The Moss Brushes can be used on;

- Block Paving
- Concrete
- Tarmac
- Rubber Play Areas

This includes sports surfaces made from these materials, such as tarmac tennis courts.

6. How quickly will it clear the moss and weeds?

It will clear an area of approximately 1m² per minute.

7. How frequently do I need to replace the brush?

You can expect to clear 700m² - 1000m² of weeds and moss per set of brushes.

You receive 2 extra sets of brushes when you purchase the machine, and spare sets can be purchased separately.

8. Does it send debris into the air?

The machine is fitted with a 360° guard which prevents any debris from flying into the air.

The guard can be partially or entirely removed to work close to a kerb or wall.

The guard is easy to take on and off, featuring tool-less fixings.

9. Are the brushes easy to change?

Yes, simply tip the machine onto its end, and rest it on its handle bars. This will position the brush vertically allowing you to change the brush.

Each of the 12 brushes are replaced individually by loosening the bolt, removing the old brush and replacing it with the new brush.

A brush set change will take approximately 5 minutes.

10. A) Will it scratch my surface?

The 12 brushes are set at a shallow angle and have a uniform ground pressure. As the brushes wear the chassis can be lowered to maintain uniform wear.

As a result it will not scratch surfaces such as brick / drive sets / concrete / tarmac.

10. B) What if I've got York Paving / Clay Blocks?

If you have delicate surfaces such as York Paving or Clay Blocks which you are concerned about scratching, we recommend you use our "Hire Before You Buy" service, to enable you to test the machine in a small patch before purchasing. *Please enquire with the office about this service.*

11. Does it work in the rain?

Yes, the Honda models can be used in the rain.

12. Do I have to push it, or is it self-driven?

The Weed Ripper needs to be pushed manually.

13. A) How soon can one be delivered?

We keep all machines advertised in our Weed and Moss range in stock, and are usually able deliver within 3 working days. Please enquire with our office for specific availabilities.

Your delivery will be on a pallet which will be offloaded by the driver.

13. B) Do you deliver outside the UK?

Yes, please contact our office for a shipping price.

14. What servicing does it need? Can I service it myself?

The Weed Ripper requires an annual service which includes changing the Air Filter, Spark Plug, Engine Oil, and 2 x Belts. These items can be purchased as a Service Kit. The belts will also require checking and tightening every 6 months, and may require more frequent checking with commercial use.

You can service it yourself, or if you prefer you can return it to our workshop where we will service it for you. The cost for this is £185+VAT for customer drop-off or £275+VAT including shipping both ways for the UK mainland.

15. What type of fuel does it use?

Regular unleaded petrol.

16. How much fuel will it use?

Approximately 1 tank of fuel per 8 working hours; although this will fluctuate slightly depending upon what brush you are using, and how low the brush is set.

17. How heavy is it?

The Weed Ripper WKB660 is 79kg.

Weights are measured with brushes, and without fuel.

18. How big is it?

Operating Mode; 87(w), 180(l), 103(h) cm

Transit Mode; 87(w), 125(l), 60(h) cm



19. Will it fit in my car?

Probably...the smallest cars we have so far fitted a Westermann Weed Ripper into are a VW Polo and a Vauxhall Aglia.